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1. The Neptun-Werft in Rostock and the Waggonfabrik Wismar are not included in the industrial plan for 1948. SMA orders have been issued to this effect by General Rudenko.
2. The Planning Department of the German Central Administration for Industry has been instructed to give priority to these two concerns in deliveries of the following machines and machine tools: lathes, drills, presses, shaping machines, and bending machines. If necessary, it is empowered to requisition them from other firms.
3. Four new slipways are being constructed at the Neptun-Werft in Rostock. Six "Schnellboote" are on the slips at present; they are similar to the former German Navy's "Schnellboote". Half a flotilla of "S" and "M" boats were also seen tied up at the docks in Rostock. They are alleged to have been recently constructed at the Neptun-Werft.
4. The Waggonfabrik Wismar has received orders to switch production to frames, stems, sterns, and other parts, and is working on a contract for pressure hulls for submarines. The steel plate construction for the mounting of these pressure hulls comes from the Mitteldeutsche Stahlwerke in Riesa.

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